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# The Desert Sun

## Of Palm Springs, California

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Now is the time for a hike up one of the canyons, say Murray Canyon; few people go there as the road is bad for about a quarter of a mile and this small canyon does not compete with Palm Canyon in publicity and number of visitors. The lower part is rather broad but as one ascends the walls close in somewhat and if it were not for the palm trees one could easily imagine himself in a foothill canyon. If you enjoy a mountain stream this is one to follow; there are many small pools, just the place for a nice twelve inch trout but I am sorry to relate, the trout are not there; rocks to climb over; shrubs to crawl under; flowers to identify; and comfortable places to loaf and think how fortunate one is to be here.

The trails are rather indefinite after a short distance but trails are not necessary, especially if one is out to see the country, however there are many who demand trails and thus lose much of the pleasure of the illusion of being the first to travel over that particular country. But it may be better to have trails, visitors expect them and they open up country for horseback riders; when everything is summed up it does seem that more trails would bring much to visitors who now are unable to get far from the beaten track.

A crystal ball to gaze into was unnecessary for the old Indians when they wanted to find the solution to a perplexing or mystical question. The indirect method of the white man is not nearly so effective as a shot of Toluache tea which will catapult a drinker into another plane where he can see everything, from supposed spirits to lost burros.

Several days ago I found a few plants, and have refrained from any foolish experiments. Toluache, a member of the Nightshade family, possesses a striking flower, not very attractive, but that may be just a notion of mine because of the poisonous character of some of the members of that family. On the other hand it includes the tomato, potato and other useful cultivated plants that have added much to the food and medicinal supplies of man. In "Desert Data" I have included a description of this plant and also a quotation from Saunders in which he relates the powers of this plant as told by an old Indian friend.

I like to watch the storms on the mountains and their attacks upon the warmer desert air currents, rising to frustrate the charge of the foe to sunshine. The counter attack is not always successful, the storm clouds sweep on, their successful conquest being vindicated by the beneficial results of the rains. Seldom it is that they win but this year they have repeatedly attacked with more than usual success.

The recent snow storm seems to have split on San Jacinto, the north clouds covering the San Bernardino mountains with snow and the southern clouds carrying a driving attack on Santa Rosa. Palm Springs might fare badly without San Jacinto guarding the western front.

It might be that my interest in the storms is heightened by the conditions under which the observations are made; sunshine, warmth, a window to break the wind; a stove to remove the slight chill on cloudy days; I am afraid that all these desert comforts will be recalled this coming summer when high mountain storms are encountered.

I am just beginning to understand the power this demon, comfort, has over most persons; when his support is removed, the strong fight for his return, the weak whine; either way he turns, both are his slaves. His price, and a big one it is, the drawing of the curtain before eyes, that might otherwise see that which they long to see but "it is just a little too much trouble" to go or "it might not be very comfortable."

The resident birds are beginning the building of nests; migrants are arriving for their temporary stay; now is the time to put up a feeding platform if you want to see these visitors. I have a list of nearly twenty.



## 250 ATTEND BIG LEGION EVENT HERE

About 250 Legionnaires and their friends packed the former El Rancho club house, at the junction of the junction of the Palm Canyon-Indio roads, Tuesday evening, to witness installation of the new officers of Palm Springs post, and to hear stirring addresses by State Commander Archie Closson and former State chaplain John Lechner.

Legionnaires came here from Banning, Riverside, Hemet, Beaumont, Yucaipa, and Indio. About 150 ex-service men, led by the Riverside drum and bugle corps, 40 strong, marched four-abreast down Palm Canyon Drive.

Officers installed for the "baby post", Palm Springs Post No. 519, were Earl Coffman, commander; Everett "Spud" Murphy, first vice-commander; Joe Omlin, second vice-commander; John Holditch, adjutant; Ed. Franz, finance officer; John Williams, chaplain; C. V. "Shorty" Knupp, sergeant-at-arms. State Commander Archie Closson, of Lodi, presided as installation officer, and the various official chairs in the hall were filled by Banning officers until the new Palm Springs officers were installed.

Among the high Legion officials attending the ceremonies besides Commander Closson and Chaplain Lechner, were Eph Williams, Riverside, commander 21st district; Russell Black, Hemet, commander Riverside County Council; Charles Woods, Indio, fifth area commander, and past commanders of the Banning American Legion post.

After the installation ceremony, Commander Earl Coffman thanked his fellow members for the honor they had bestowed upon him, and pledged best efforts to conduct the duties of the office to the best of his ability. He said he would follow the advice of an old Legionnaire to "say as little as possible." He called on the visiting officials for speeches.

State Commander Closson responded with an eloquent address that stirred the patriotism of his hearers. He asked his hearers to turn back to the days of 1917 and 1918 when 5,046,000 young Americans were asked to don the uniform in defense of the nation; and then to March, 1919, when men of every rank, race, and creed, met in Paris to form the American Legion.

"Our first duty is to those who came back from the war disabled," he said, and today there are 244,000 men in America limping about as a result of the war, 29,000 in government hospitals, and 21,000 in mental hospitals. It has been estimated that by 1950 there will be 250,000 ex-service men in hospitals."

Referring to pending legislation in congress to pay ex-service men their adjusted compensation, or bonus, at the face value, he called attention to an editorial in a national magazine, in which the editor wrote that it has come to a sad state of affairs when ex-soldiers must go to the government in order to realize "a decent profit" from the transaction of defending the nation. He spoke of 155,000 orphans whose "decent profit" is a home; thousands of tubercular and mental patients who ask as a "decent profit" that the government may assist in taking care of their families.

Commander Closson turned to the American Legion objectives in promoting better citizenship and in national defense. One out of every seven Boy Scout troops in America is sponsored by an American Legion post. He told of the Legion-sponsored junior baseball program. The American Legion is a home for the American Legion post. (Continued on Page Six)

## AIRPORT ATTRACTS MANY NOTABLES TO PALM SPRINGS

The Palm Springs Airport has been the attraction that has brought many interesting people to the village during the past two years. Among these are Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brooks of New York City, who flew here last year and remained for ten days. They were so favorably impressed with the village and flying conditions, that they returned again this season and rented a home for a two months' stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks flew here in two planes, a Luscombe Phantom and a Warner Monocoupe. Both are two-place cabin planes. Mrs. Brooks flies one plane with the baggage, and Mr. Brooks carries the mechanic and the balance of the baggage. They find they can travel cheaper across country in an airplane than in an automobile, getting better than 20 miles per gallon of gasoline with each plane.

They have rented a hangar at the airport, and almost daily they call for one or the other of their planes, and take a little joyride to such points as El Centro, Twenty-nine Palms, San Diego, Los Angeles, or the beaches.

Recent arrivals at the airport include a number of people who have (Continued on Last Page)

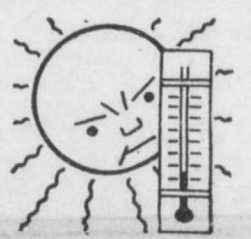
## AMOS 'N' ANDY ENJOY GOLF AND RIDING ON DESERT

Pleasantly impressed with their sojourn so far at El Mirador in Palm Springs, and enjoying a good rest along with a few outdoor sports, Amos 'n' Andy, comic favorites of millions of radio fans throughout the country, arrived here last Monday from Chicago for a month's stay on the desert.

Freeman Gosden (Amos) and Charles Correll (Andy) and their wives have been frequent visitors to the golf course here; Gosden losing no time getting on the course for a round on Tuesday—his first game in three years. Horseback riding is also among the sports the quartet have enjoyed.

The team broadcasts twice each day, Saturdays and Sundays excepted, from a special broadcasting room in the El Mirador tower. A National Broadcasting Company expert is here to handle the technical details, the broadcast being sent to Chicago by special wire for release from that city.

Amos 'n' Andy have been in radio continually for the past nine years, coming to the air after considerable experience in staging amateur theatricals throughout the Midwest. They create their own continuity and humor in daily conferences, taking from one to three hours.



THE WEATHER

Regular residents seem to be worrying more than are the visitors, about the rain and cool weather. Recent arrivals have come from places where the weather was so much worse, they consider the Palm Springs climate delightful, and don't mind having to remain indoors occasionally here because of a little rain.

There being no rain gauge here, the precipitation can only be guessed. Estimates range from four inches to ten, for the season. J. Pluvius has selected week-ends for his Palm Springs visits this year, being evidently under the impression that this is a week-end resort. Earlier in the season it rained five Saturdays in succession, and the Sundays were a little cooler than most of us might wish.

Within a week everyone will be delighted this has been a wet season. The desert will probably have the finest display of wild flowers in years. Heavy snowfall on the surrounding mountains, the moist desert earth, and the heavy growth on the desert and mountain slopes, will retard encroachment of hot weather until late spring or early summer, so we need not expect hot weather until June. May will undoubtedly be a delightful month in Palm Springs this year.

## AN HONEST MAN

Billy Browell, a resident of Palm Springs, is lucky that an honest man found his purse after he had lost it last week. J. F. Stewart, well-known local sign-painter, found the purse, containing about \$30.00, in the street. He took the purse immediately to the Bank of America in an effort to locate the owner, and in this way the owner was found.

Mr. Stewart did not even take a reward for his trouble in locating the loser of the purse. Honesty is simply taken for granted by Mr. Stewart, who operates a sign-painting establishment on Indian Avenue, across the street from the bath house. Let's give him a big hand!

Ted Lavason of Los Angeles will begin building a new home at once in Las Palmas Estates.

## Just Because Printer's Devil Dropped a Line

Just because the printer's devil in The Desert Sun office dropped a "hot linotype slug" while making a correction in Robert L. Edwards' poem, "School Days," several weeks ago, a number of local citizens have been busy attempting to supply the missing line.

The first line of the sixth verse was lost by the devil, leaving the last three lines of the verse as follows:

"As they fuss with clothes and curls,  
Feel quite as rare a happiness  
As do their boys and girls."  
Mr. Edwards could not remember the missing line exactly, so in the following issue of The Desert Sun he offered a prize to the person supplying the same. There were several answers, and Mr. Edwards will award prizes to the two best. Miss Irma C. Wicand of the Central Hotel and Miss Roberta E. Lucid will each receive an autographed volume of Mr. Edwards' poems.

The line written by Miss Wicand is: "For these same doting mothers"

Miss Lucid wrote: "Loving mothers filled with joy"  
But in the meantime the devil resurrected the missing copy, so we find the line as originally written by the poet was:

"And we feel that those dear women"  
Now the dear readers who have been worrying about this poem, can dig up the January 8th issue of The Desert Sun (if it hasn't been used to wrap vegetable scraps) and paste in one of the lines quoted above, whichever one is preferred—and that issue of The Sun will be complete.

## UNIQUE SUN PAINTINGS ARE EXHIBITED AT LOCAL STUDIO

Mrs. Pansy Stockton, originator of "Sun Paintings", is holding a demonstration of the creating of her work, at the Clatworthy Studios, in the Grove building. Two other exhibitions of Sun Paintings are being held simultaneously, one in Denver, and the other in Detroit.

It is difficult to describe the type of art work done by Mrs. Stockton. Pictures are made of leaves, grasses, blossoms, woods, barks, and other plant materials. A picture made of Palm Canyon is a splendid example of Mrs. Stockton's skill. Milkweed floss is used to make the glistening mountain stream, birch and other bark for the canyon walls, grasses and other plants to reproduce the palm trees. The picture is as true as a painting, and gives a fine perspective of distance. The pictures are framed under glass, and will not fade or change color from sunlight.

Mrs. Stockton is enjoying Palm Springs, and is painting and sketching with both water color and pastel daily, as well as creating the Sun Paintings.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ermatinger. Mr. Ermatinger is manager of the Los Angeles Biltmore Theatre.



## TENNIS CHAMPS WILL MEET HERE MARCH 29, 30, 31

Having staged a successful invitational golf tournament that put Palm Springs in the nation's spotlight for sports, another major event has been announced—the first annual invitational tennis championships, to be held on March 29, 30 and 31, according to H. E. Patterson, president of the Palm Springs Associates, sponsors of the tourney.

Invitations to thirty-two men players and sixteen women players, including stars of sectional and international fame, are in the mail. Events to be held, with trophies for the winners, are: Men's singles, men's doubles, ladies' singles, and mixed doubles.

Chairman of the tournament committee is Perry T. Jones, secretary of the Southern California Tennis Association, and working with him will be Joseph Bixler of Los Angeles, and Frank Bennett, Thomas Lipps, Harold Hicks, Ray Murray, and Don Still of Palm Springs. Officials referees will be Warren Pinney, Earl Coffman and Charles Farrell.

The matches during the three days will be played on the courts at El Mirador, Desert Inn, Hotel del Tahquitz, and the Racquet Club of Palm Springs.

## \$260 RADIO TO BE AWARDED AT THEATRE TUESDAY NIGHT

Donation tickets for a \$260 General Electric Radio will continue to be on sale until Tuesday evening, and the winner will be announced at that time at the Palm Springs Theatre. Proceeds will go to Our Lady of Solitude Church. Tickets may be had at all drug stores, and at the Palm Springs Furniture Company, where the radio is on display.

The annual bridge party for benefit of Our Lady of Solitude Church, at the Desert Inn Tuesday, was attended by a large group of people.

The complete list of prize winners was not available at the time of going to press. Prizes included a tray, donated by Palm Springs Furniture Co., attractive smoking set, donated by the Oasis Hotel, a unique teakettle, an hors d'oeuvres tray donated by Mrs. A. F. Hicks, pocketbook donated by Mrs. Lottie Carpenter.

The sale of candy brownies baked by Miss Betty Vetterlein and choice grapefruit donated by Mrs. Nellie N. Coffman, helped to swell the church fund.

Included among the ladies who helped to make the affair a success, were Mrs. A. F. Hicks, Mrs. James V. Guthrie, Mrs. E. T. Fulford, Mrs. Harold Hicks, Mrs. Hobart Garlick, Miss Betty Vetterlein, Miss Eleanor Witteman, Mrs. Nellie Coffman, Miss Sarah Cahill, and others.

## DESERT RIDERS WILL HAVE BREAKFAST RIDES SATURDAY AND TUESDAY

This week the Desert Riders will bounce their merry way to the Experimental Station for breakfast. As usual "chuck" will be served between 8:30 and 9:30 a. m. The participants will leave the various stables early Saturday morning.

Next Tuesday the Riders will trek to the Smoke Tree Forest near Araby.

Tuesday, March 19, the Desert Riders will present the first of the spring moonlight desert rides. The Old Rodeo Grounds will be the site for the ride. Broiled steaks will be served to the group at 7 p. m. A cowboy orchestra will furnish special entertainment for the affair. "Outsiders" and visitors are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Pruss. Mr. Pruss is head cameraman at the Paramount Studios in Hollywood.

## Sun Spots

(By Carl Barkow)

Four important elections will occur in Palm Springs within a few weeks. On March 29th the voters will select one trustee for the elementary school, and two for the high school. Shortly afterward, about April 1st, a police commissioner and a fire commissioner are to be selected. The voters will be asked to mark four different ballots on these two days, so we speak of four elections.

The selection of school trustees and police and fire commissioners is more important than many citizens seem to realize, for usually a very small percentage of the voters go to the polls to show their interest.

When we consider that about 40 per cent of the tax money goes to the schools, it would seem the matter of selecting the people to administer these funds is of sufficient importance to warrant more attention from the public.

On the high school board the terms of R. M. Gorham of Palm Springs and Mrs. Koger of Cabazon will expire. Whether they will be candidates for re-election has not been announced. Mr. Gorham has served this district well for the six years that he has been a member of the board, and if he can be induced to again accept the job, he should be retained. He has proven himself a good business man and has shown his interest in the school, which are the two most important qualifications for a good school trustee.

The high school this year will receive slightly over \$40,000. Of this amount a little more than \$24,000 comes from state sales tax, \$5,000 from Banning, \$9,000 from Palm Springs, the balance from Cabazon and the remainder of the district. Of the \$24,000 from the state, \$3200 is received because it is a high school, and \$21,000 represents \$85 per student based on the average daily attendance last year.

These figures indicate that Palm Springs should continue to have two members on the board. Consequently, it is of extreme importance that every citizen use his vote and his influence to return a Palm Springs member to the board. No one has signified his intention of opposing a Palm Springs candidate; nevertheless it's a good plan to be prepared.

The three hold-over members of the board are F. V. Shannon of Palm Springs, chairman; Dr. A. L. Bramkamp and Curtis Black of Banning.

In the elementary school the term of John Williams expires. It is understood that he is to be a candidate for re-election. The other members of the board are Mrs. Nellie N. Coffman and Mrs. Culver Nichols.

The police and fire commissions are likewise equally important, for everyone is, or should be, interested in police and fire protection. The police commissioners are George Roberson, John Holditch and Carl G. Lykken; the term of the latter ending in April. Fire commissioners are A. F. Hicks, John Kline, and Charles Bosworth. The term of Mr. Hicks is also ending. Mr. Lykken and Mr. Hicks are well fitted to continue in the positions they hold. They are pioneer residents, and large taxpayers, consequently they are interested in operating the two departments as efficiently and economically as possible.

We mentioned four ballots—but there will probably be another, upon which the voters can stamp their approval, even though it will authorize the expenditure of about \$4,000, for it won't cost the taxpayers a cent. It will simply permit the fire commissioners to spend the money they have saved for a definite purpose. But the state legislature passed the Riley-Stewart act, which forbids any municipal, county or state board (Continued On Last Page)



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### Rabbits

Most everything has some defense  
Against a deadly foe,  
A sting, a bite, a noisome scent,  
Or power to strike a blow.

But rabbits are a helpless breed,  
All unprepared to fight,  
And when they are in danger,  
Their only hope is flight.

The little bunnies suffer most  
Because their legs are short,  
While big jackrabbits run so fast  
They make coyotes sport.

But rabbit population grows  
Surprisingly each year,  
And so it seems the rabbit tribe  
Will not soon disappear.

For there's always compensation  
In Nature's laws, be sure,  
For every kind of handicap  
Her creatures may endure.

Robert L. Edwards.

### GOOD ADVICE TO ALL CHILDREN

Up in Oregon the sheriff of one of the major counties has had issued cards for distribution among children. They carry point in any state and it may be recommended that attention of children hereabouts be called to the following copy:

1. Don't ever ride with strangers.
2. Always walk on the left hand side of the road, and get clear off the road when you meet an automobile. Give them plenty of room.
3. Don't ever cross a road or highway until you are sure there are no cars coming from either direction.
4. Don't attempt to cross an intersection until you are certain that there is plenty of time.
5. If you see an accident go for help quickly.
6. Keep clear of the wreck. Let grown people give aid to the injured.

While the sheriff is doing this good work in the interest of the smaller citizens, the Oregonian of Portland suggests that he might get out another card directed to adults and have it read:

1. Don't ever pick up strangers.
2. Always drive on the right hand side of the road, and when you meet a pedestrian give him plenty of room.
3. Maintain a look-out for persons crossing the road.
4. Have your car under control when entering an intersection, and recognize the right of pedestrians to cross ahead of you.
5. If you see an accident, offer help.
6. If you cannot be helpful, leave the wreck. Don't block the highway out of curiosity.

With one or two exceptions the point in each applies to the grown-ups as well as the children. It will hurt no one to read what the Oregon sheriff has to say, and what the Oregonian thinks he might add.

### The 19th Hole

at  
THE DESERT GOLF COURSE



Owing to the fact that we have only nine holes there seems to be a lot of discussion the last few weeks regarding golf etiquette. The most violated rule is the priority on the course. The USGA recommends the following and it is a rule of the Desert Golf Course: "Matches constituted of twosomes, threesomes, or foursomes shall have precedence of and be entitled to pass any other kind of match. A single player has no standing, and shall always give way to a match of any kind. If a match fails to keep its place on the course, and lose in distance more than one clear hole on the players in front, it may be passed, on request being made."

While on the subject one or two other rules of etiquette which we would like to see observed are:

"Players who have holed out should not try their putts over again when other players are following them. Please don't count your score on the green. Players looking for a lost ball should allow other matches coming to pass them; in fact, signal to the play-

ers to go through and should not continue to play until these players have passed and out of reach."

All these suggestions tend to make the game more pleasing to all.

While the stars have been grabbing all the publicity, here is a golf feud that has been going its bitter rounds for years unsung, and that is Clark Forsyth. C. H. Clark from Seattle and W. O. Forsyth from San Francisco have had their ten cent a hole match and it runs very even but lately they have to have a referee in the person of T. A. O'Donnell of Palm Springs and Long Beach.

Among others seen daily at the local course are Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Means, Salt Lake City; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Maghill, Wichita, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Briede, Percy Mendelson, New York; and last but not least Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Correll and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Gosden, the famous team of Amos 'n' Andy, are seen daily getting their round of golf.

Among those seen working on their game and taking lessons are F. R. Dieuaide, China; Miss Jane Rogers, New York; Mrs. A. K. Bourne; Mrs. R. W. Magill, Wichita, Kansas; Mrs. Katzinger, Chicago; Mrs. H. H. Timken, Canton, Ohio; and D. Grimes, Denver.

Mrs. Edward Newbegin and daughter, Mrs. Ernest Crichton, of Portland, Oregon, are in Palm Springs on their annual visit. They are living at the Tahquitz Vista. Mrs. Newbegin has been coming to Palm Springs the past six seasons, and each year she finds a very pronounced improvement.

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### REFRIGERATOR FOR THE DESERT IS INTRODUCED HERE

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The shop has just taken the agency for the famous Gaffers & Sattler automatic electric refrigerators and automatic clock-controlled gas ranges. Both of these very necessary kitchen utilities are leaders in the respective fields.

A certificate of better value and an unconditional guarantee state the refrigerator is "the best that money can buy," and that "these refrigerators will operate at a lower cost than any stock model electric refrigerators made today, and that they will provide satisfactory refrigeration under the most severe climatic conditions prevalent in California and the Southwest Desert Country."

The gas range is not only extreme-

ly efficient and practical, but is a thing of beauty. It is electrically lighted, has automatic electric clock control, and is porcelain enameled inside and outside.

El Camino Iron Studio also specializes in wrought-iron lighting fixtures, having a large stock on hand made in their Los Angeles factory, especially designed for the desert by Mr. McCurdy of the local studio and by Mr. Kersten. The shop is also equipped to take care of all kinds of metal work, featuring wrought iron. These include fireplace sets, iron furniture, etc. The shop maintains prices as low as those in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Fred Payne Clatworthy welcomed 12 guests Saturday evening around the fireplace in honor of her daughter, Helen Clatworthy. Desert stories were told and games played. Little Patricia Ann Fowler brought in a lovely birthday cake, adorned with 20 candles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Brock, who operated a candy shop here in 1931, dropped in to see Mrs. Zaddie Bunker last week. The Brocks have a candy shop at Lake Arrowhead.

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In "OLD BRANDY"

or in

"OLD SHERRY"

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## Desert Data

By DON ADMIRAL  
Naturalist

Flowers of different families have different characteristics but in some they are the same and this leads to difficulties of identification. Two families, the mustard and the evening primrose are now represented on the desert by flowers of four petals each. Obviously the number of petals, in this instance, are not positive identification so a further search is necessary and we find that some flowers have eight stamens and other six which is distinctive. Close inspection of the flower with six stamens reveals that two are shorter than the other four and we have found a member of the mustard family.

It is not always so easy as this for as one's knowledge increases he finds overlappings and exceptions that are confusing in the identification of genera and species. But there must be a starting point and the above hint will be of immense value if it teaches you to look for family characteristics in the flowers. A good flower book will list the more noticeable family characteristics.

To return to Toluache, the following account of its powers is quoted from Saunders, "With the Flowers and Trees in California," page 146. Old Manuelito an Indian friend of Saunders is talking.

"You eat little bit, muy poquito," he explained, "and you go crazy, run around wild, all same loco. Fiesta come, people put leaf in water, make little tea; dancers drink little bit, not much; only men drink; boys no. By and by, they fall in fire; no hurt. Toluache make so you see things nobody else see. My grandfather him great medicine man. Once there was a man and him die. Nobody know why. My grandfather him drink toluache; by and by, see things what make man die. Another time, man lost a burro; no can find. My grandfather drink toluache—not much, muy poquito—see where burro gone to. Man, him go there and find burro."

Manuelito rolled a cigarette meditatively.

"Toluache very deceiving, too," he went on. "One time Manuelito drink a little; see all kind of animals; no feel nothing; no heat, no cold. Water run in ditch, Manuelito listen and can hear; no can see. Very deceiving, toluache."

The following description is quoted from Saunders, in "The Western Flower Guide," page 187: "Toluache (*Datura meteloides*, D.C.). Flowers fragrant, white, often tinged with violet, trumpet-shaped, 6 to 9 inches long and sometimes 6 inches across when fully expanded; calyx tubular, some three inches long, tipped with sharp teeth. Leaves dark green, coarse. A striking plant, one to three feet high, forming a clump, the showy flowers wilting after noon; blooming from May until October, throughout Southern California, east to Nevada, Utah, Arizona, and Texas, and into Mexico."

"Toluache (to'loo-ah'cha) is the Indian name for this handsome *Datura*, which has played a notable part in aboriginal life because of its virulent, narcotic properties. An infusion of the leaves or root has the effect of producing hallucinations, stupefaction or frenzy, and it formerly was employed by medicine men in ceremonial rites. Its resemblance to the Eastern Jimson-weed (introduced about dwellings) is considerable.

It seems as if this article is turning out to be largely by Saunders but there is no apology for he has written several very good books about California flora and if I can bring these to your attention it will be worth the time.

His "With the Flowers and Trees in California" is a readable book that will bring the flowers and trees to you in a way that is likely to make you go on with the study of California flora. There is much of the desert as well as other sections of the state covered in his book.

There is a very pretty little blue flower in the canyons now. It may be familiar to some, if not, look for it when you are riding or hiking near the mountains or in the canyons. The Wild Canterbury Bell is a *Phacelia*, a family of which there are a number of dwellers on the desert.

The following description is quoted from Saunders, "Western Wild Flower Guide," page 171:

"Wild Canterbury Bell (*Phacelia Whitlavia*, Gray). Flowers blue-purple, an inch long or more, bell-shaped with roundish, spreading lobes, and long-exserted stamens, more or less pendulous in loose racemes. Leaves ovate, coarsely toothed, hairy. A loosely branching annual, somewhat viscid, and with a reddish stem about a foot high, blooming from March till early summer on dry hills, and in partially shaded canyons up to about 3000 feet, in Southern California.

"This showy species is another California wild flower that has long been cultivated in gardens as an ornamental annual, and is sometimes known as California Bluebell, and California Bell-flower. The specific part of the botanical name is a survival of the plant's original christening, which was *Whitlavia grandiflora*, Harvey. It was introduced into Europe more than sixty years ago, and, it is said, has in some places there established itself as a wildflower. Cultivation has developed several varieties—among which is a pure white, and another white with a blue center. The plant is readily propagated from seeds."

Among the first reference books I should have included a late edition unabridged dictionary, the best investment anyone can make if he is curious about what is going on in the world. The derivation of some of the scientific names of flora and fauna is interesting; sometimes it resembles the solution to a detective story, for some of our scientists were not exactly skilled students of the ancient languages.

### Birthday Party at Palm Springs Hotel

Mrs. Hattie Orr and George Karoly were given a delightful dinner at the Palm Springs Hotel on Friday, March 1st, in celebration of their birthdays.

Those present to help Father Time marshal in another happy year were Mr. and Mrs. Orr and their daughter, Mrs. Weideman, George Karoly, Peter B. Lynch, Meff Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Coakley, Mrs. James Coakley, Tom Coakley, all of Oakland, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gerlinger of Dallas, Oregon. Table decorations were carried out in green and yellow. All present reported a jolly good time.

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### DEBT MORATORIUM FOR TWO YEARS IS WAGNER PROPOSAL

A two-year moratorium on all debts, except those owed to any governmental agency, is proposed by Assemblyman Wagner, Alameda.

Wagner's bill, AB 2337, would permit any debtor to apply to a superior court for suspension or regulation of his debts at any time three months after the bill became a law. The courts would have the power to suspend debt payments for as long as two years.

The Wagner measure would halt all foreclosure proceedings and other debt-collecting suits pending in courts at the time the bill was passed.

## Palm Springs Theatre

"David Copperfield" a Tremendous Hit!

"David Copperfield," the prize-winning photoplay which opened today at the Palm Springs Theatre, is destined to take its place as one of the outstanding hit pictures of all screen history.

It is a faithful translation of Dickens' best known and best loved story, but it reveals entertainment that never could be imagined by any one who has read Dickens only casually. The romance and comedy, especially, are emphasized.

Among the scores of favorites in the cast are W. C. Fields, Lionel Barrymore, Maureen O'Sullivan, Madge Evans, Edna May Oliver, Lewis Stone, Elizabeth Allan, Roland Young, Herbert Mundin, Freddie Bartholomew and Frank Lawton.

"Don Juan" Is Doug's Most Lavish Film

Some idea of the lavish scale on which London Films produced "The Private Life of Don Juan," Douglas Fairbanks' new romantic comedy based on the legend of the great heart-wrecker, which will be shown at the Palm Springs Theatre Sunday only, March 10, is contained in the fact that a huge Spanish theatre, complete in every detail, was erected for a single scene in this latest offering of the producers of "The Private Life of Henry VIII" and "Catherine the Great."

This was the largest set ever constructed in England. Four tiers of boxes were built on each side of the stage, which was itself complete with curtains, scenery and the candle foot-lights peculiar to the period.

Supporting Fairbanks are Merle Oberon, Benita Hume, Binnie Barnes and Joan Gardner.

Mirth, Melody and Mystery in New Film

"Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round," Reliance's sparkling new comedy drama with melody, mystery and romance, staged aboard a palatial ocean liner, comes to the Palm Springs Theatre Monday, March 11, for one day only.

A great cast of scene and radio stars, headed by Jack Benny, Nancy Carroll and Gene Raymond is seen in this Harry M. Goetz-Edward Small production, which Benjamin Stollhoff directed for release through United Artists.

Benny is seen as a genial master of ceremonies, broadcasting from the high seas, while Nancy plays Sally Marsh, the star of his troupe, and Raymond is seen as a young Raffies who falls in love with her.

Others in the cast include Mitzi Green, Frank Parker, The Boswell Sisters, Patsy Kelly, Jean Sargent and Jimmy Grier and his orchestra.

### "The White Cockatoo"

A melodramatic murder mystery thriller guaranteed to send chills creeping up and down the spine comes to the Palm Springs Theatre on Tuesday, March 12, under the title of "The White Cockatoo."

Jean Muir and Ricardo Cortez are starred in the play and are supported by Ruth Donnelly, Walter Kingsley, Minna Gombell.

### "Clive of India"

"Clive of India," comes to the Palm Springs Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, matinee and evening, March 13 and 14, with Ronald Colman starred in the title role.

The story, which traces the rise of Robert Clive from a \$25 a year clerk in the East India Company to the conqueror of a nation, stresses the private life of England's greatest hero and the part his lovely wife played in his triumphs and defeats. Loretta Young is cast as the wife, Lady Clive.

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### CHURCHES OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"Man" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon on Sunday in all Christian Science churches, branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. The Golden Text is from the Psalms: "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way."

One of the Bible citations in the Lesson-Sermon, from The Book of Job, states: "If iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles. For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear: because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away; and thine age shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning."

A passage from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, states: "Beauty, as well as truth, is eternal; but the beauty of material things passes away, fading and fleeting as mortal belief. Custom, education, and fashion form the transient standards of mortals. Immortality, exempt from age or decay, has a glory of its own—the radiance of Soul."

## El Paseo Theatre

On Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9, Edith Wharton's "Strange Wives," starring Roger Pryor, June Clayworth, Esther Raleston, Hugh O'Connell, Ralph Forbes and Leslie Fenton, will be shown at the El Paseo Theatre.

"The Count of Monte Cristo," Alexander Dumas' immortal classic will play at the El Paseo Theatre, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Stars in the picture are Robert Donat and Elissa Landi.

### "Baboona" Is Absorbing Adventure

One of the most sensational adventure films of all time is promised for the El Paseo Theatre when the newest production of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson, "Baboona," begins an engagement there next Wednesday, March 13 and continues Thursday and Friday.

"Baboona," it is said, outdistances anything the Johnsons have yet brought back from the unexplored and savage lands, not only for authenticity and graphic detail but for sheer suspense and excitement.

### PALM SPRINGS HOTEL

Recent guests at the Palm Springs Hotel included Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Schulberg, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jaffe, Mrs. Joe Jaffe, Mrs. Felix Young, J. B. Marschlo, Wilbur May, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. VanRaalte, Miss Charlotte Jackson, and Mrs. Jackson of Hollywood.

Arriving from McKeesport, Pennsylvania, were Mrs. Scott A. Soles, Mrs. T. F. Soles, Mrs. K. Posanna Hayes, and Frank Gerhart. Also from the East were Archie Walker and Stephen Walker of Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Sherer of Highland Park, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. de Beixodon of New York.

Among those registered from the east bay region were Tom Coakley, leader of the Palace Hotel Orchestra; Mrs. James Coakley, J. Frank Coakley of the district attorney's office in Oakland and Mrs. Coakley; Ben Goldsmith of the Goldsmith Furriers in San Francisco; Fred Seulerberger, florist; Meff Mitchell of the California Cotton Mill; and Peter B. Lynch, president of the Grayson-Owen Packing Co., all from Oakland.

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The new club met Wednesday evening to draft a constitution and by-laws and is now accepting new members.

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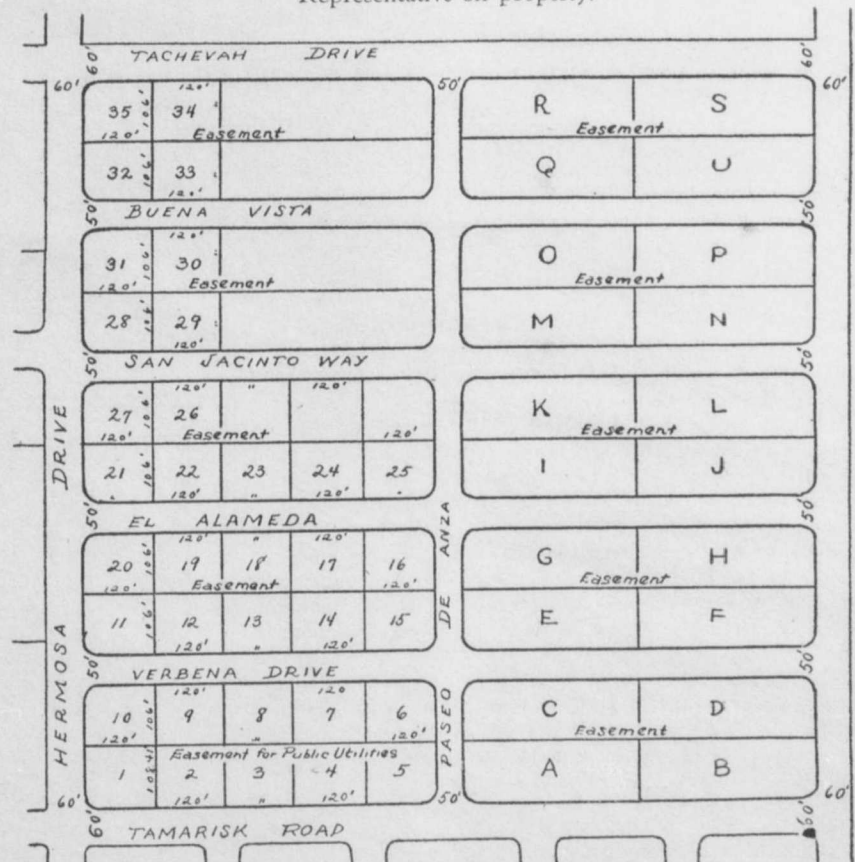
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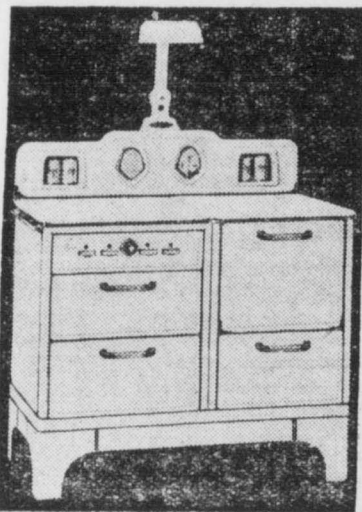
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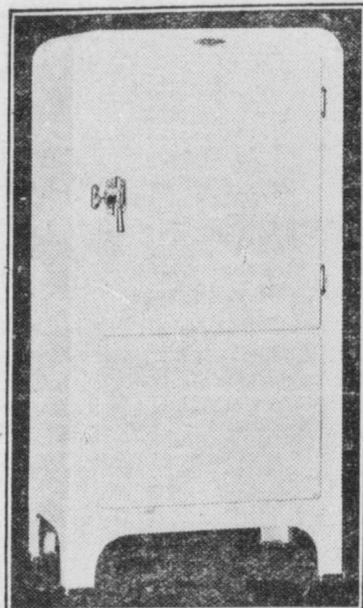
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### Desert Sunbeams

A fine new two-story home is being built for Ralph Goddard of Long Beach, west of the El Paseo Pharmacy, in Las Palmas Estates.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marks, of Hollywood, are planning to begin construction on a new home in La Rambla tract.

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital, at Salem, Oregon, is registered at Monte Vista Court, formerly Coble Court. Dr. Steiner, who has been coming to Palm Springs during the past nine years, is head of an institution that has 2500 patients. While talking with a Desert Sun reporter yesterday, he said, "I can't understand why people should complain about a little rain down here. It is so much wetter, or colder all around us, that we should be thankful we can be in Palm Springs. I think this weather is delightful."

Mrs. Pearl Chap of Los Angeles, expects to remain here another month with her aunt, Mrs. J. J. Grove. She is taking sulphur bath treatments while here. On Monday Mrs. Chap, Mrs. Grove, and Mrs. Eugene Graff visited in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Katherine Smith, formerly manager of Las Palmeras apartment house, was a visitor here Tuesday. She is a resident of Laguna Beach.

Stewart Horning, who has been connected with the El Mirador pool this season, left for Los Angeles Wednesday to take up his duties as lot manager for the William Murphy Company, used car dealers. "Stu" was a great favorite with the children at the pool, where he refereed many on exciting ping-pong match or game of water polo. Also, hardly a dance or party has been complete this season without the appearance of "Stu" in his inimitable and amusing "Fan Dance."

H. W. Otis reports the sale of six lots at Araby to Mrs. Virginia W. Hanna of San Francisco; also three lots to L. M. Blankenhorn of Pasadena. Both investors plan to start construction on modern homes at once. Mr. Otis also reports the sale of sixteen 1¼-acre lots in the Smoke Tree forest at Araby; the buyers being local people.

A lot of people wait for the "breaks" until they are broke.

The Desert Sun received a letter this week from Mrs. B. Frasher, of "Frasher's Fotos," Pomona. Mrs. Frasher, who is a guest at Monte Vista Court, writes: "Thoroughly enjoyed your word pictures of 'our' Desert Circus—in fact, the entire issue was extra full of interesting items. I have to admit, though, that all your issues are good and that your reporter is certainly on the job. So thought I'd drop you a line and express my appreciation." Mrs. Frasher enclosed one of her firm's interesting and unique calendars for the month of March. Thanks for the pat on our back, Mrs. Frasher.

John F. Hayward, who is employed in the C. G. Lykken Department Store, is commencing construction of his new home on Ocotillo avenue in the Palos Verdes Estates. William Martle, local contractor, has the job.

Mrs. Frank Morgan, wife of the popular screen star, and her sister, Miss Phyllis Muller, are residing in Palm Springs for the season. They are occupying the Ripley home, in Tahquitz Desert Estates.

Mrs. Alice Jamison and her daughter, Miss Glee Jamison, of Beverly Hills, will be guests at the Silver Peak Studio this week-end.

Allen H. Ratteree of Los Angeles, who has been sojourning in Palm Springs for his health, passed away here Feb. 28, after a long siege of illness. He is survived by his wife and children. Until just a short time before his death, Mr. Ratteree was very active in real estate and business in Southern California.

### SUPERVISORS OPPOSED TO HIGHWAY PLAN OF GOVERNOR MERRIAM

Proposal of Governor Merriam, to take all county roads into the state highway system, is opposed by Riverside county supervisors.

The proposal was described at length to the board last Monday by Frank McKee of Marin county, who is a member of the highway committee of the state chamber of commerce. Mr. McKee said he felt the state was faced with a serious situation in the governor's plan for the withdrawal of all gas tax funds from the counties and to have all county roads included in the state system.

Under the system of paying for road work out of the gas tax, Mr. McKee suggested that the cities paid an undue proportion of the tax, for the reason that more gas is used by city

### MRS. JOHN VAUGHN OF CHATTANOOGA CONSTRUCTS HOME IN DESERT SANDS

Mrs. John B. Vaughn of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and also of Los Angeles, is constructing a new home in Desert Sands Tract; a peasant type home, which is something very different from the usual style home found in and around Palm Springs. Edmund F. Lindop is supervising the construction. An enormous living room, three bedrooms, dining room, kitchen and two-car garage with back and front patios will make up this structure.

The Desert Sands Tract office which is being completed this week is an outstanding real estate office, uniquely furnished in attractive desert styles.

In addition to the landscaping and planting already taken place on the tract, the Desert Nursery is further beautifying the property by setting out better than one hundred Joshua trees, which are now starting to bloom, palm trees and a cactus garden around the office on the corner of Tamarisk and Hermosa avenues.

Automobile drivers may obtain their operators' licenses any Friday afternoon between the hours of two to four, at the Desert Inn Garage. State Traffic Officer L. R. Frye issues the licenses.

taxpayers than those in districts outside.

Attention was called to the fact that Riverside county's efficient system of road organization and operation made it possible to maintain roads at about one-third what it costs the state.

### FORMATION OF SANITARY DISTRICT REFERRED TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

The matter of forming a sanitary district in order to finance and construct a sewer system in Palm Springs, has been referred to District Attorney Earl Redwine. The report of the Sanitary committee was accepted by the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, and that organization will take the steps to form the district, as prescribed by the district attorney.

Those who have been active in trying to solve the sewer problem agree that the district should include only that portion which will be served by the sewer when it is completed. The district extends from El Mirador Hotel to Ramon Road, and includes property fronting on Palm Canyon Drive and Indian avenue.

Andrew Hilstrom was injured in an automobile accident Saturday evening near Garnet, and is now confined in the Riverside Hospital.

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### "DUTCH" SMITH POSES FOR CIGARETTE ADS

Harold "Dutch" Smith, who is in charge of the El Mirador pool, has been busy being photographed the past few days. "Dutch" has just been signed up by the Camel cigarette people to have his photograph and a

testimonial appear in a number of their advertisements, and Mr. Hurrell was delegated to come to Palm Springs to make the photographs of "Dutch" for publication.

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## EL MIRADOR GUESTS ENJOY NUMEROUS RECREATION EVENTS

Visitors sojourning at El Mirador this week participated in numerous delightful recreations planned for their enjoyment such as a bicycle sight-seeing trip, badminton and ping pong matches, a scenic drive over the Pines-to-Palmes highway, stopping for luncheon at Ribbonwood, and an interesting lecture by Stephen Willard on "Impressions of the Desert," a color interpretation of the unusual moods of the desert.

Mrs. Erma Hubbell entertained a number of former Omaha residents at dinner at El Mirador Hotel recently, also having among her guests, Mrs. Thomas J. Hogan, Miss Edith Dorsey, sister of Judge W. C. Dorsey, Mrs. Charles J. Hubbard, and Mrs. Eva Ferguson Battle, state manager of California for the Woodmen Circle.

Recent arrivals at El Mirador include the Hon. Mrs. M. M. B. Cecil of London, noted lecturer; Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Kelsey of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Holman of Willesby, Mass.; Mrs. E. C. Lang of St. Charles, Ill., and her two young children, Nicholas and Terry; Mrs. W. P. Bidle and her daughter, Miss Martha Nicholas of St. Louis; Miss Margaret Hodge and Miss Margaret B. Griffith of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Howard Crawford of Chicago; and from San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Howard, J. McL. Mitchell, and Herbert Fleishhacker, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Corey and Miss C. Corey, members of the prominent Eastern family of Pittsburgh and New York City, spent several days at El Mirador, before going to Pasadena to join Mrs. Dodge Sloan in whose private car they are returning East by way of Arizona and the Grand Canyon.

Other well-known people who are guests at El Mirador are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Eaton of Norwich, N. Y. Mr. Eaton is chairman of the Republican state committee of New York state, and plans to spend a month at Palm Springs.

Other guests include Mr. and Mrs. Donald P. Ordway, Battle Creek, Mich.; Mrs. William Ewing and Miss Jane Ewing, New York City; Mrs. William B. Butterworth and Mrs. Jeanne Fox, Cincinnati; Mrs. Frances B. Law and her son, Albert B. Law, Rockport, Maine; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Briede, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Field, Scarsdale, N. Y.; Mrs. T. Condon, Winnetka, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. M. Webster, West Hartford, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. E. Mogens and Mrs. F. S. Bryant, Burlingame and Santa Monica; Mrs. Thomas M. Howell, Chicago, and her daughter, Mrs. John B. Barus.

trees and shrubbery of the well known park.

But the vandals have been there. Three of the original 42 palms have been killed by fire, another is dying, and many of the palms have been defaced by those nitwits who carve their initials in every conspicuous place. They have done their best to wreck one of the most perfect pictures on the desert.

I came away from the spot with a feeling of depression—wondering whether the automobile is really a blessing or not. It has given the moron who formerly dwelt in the more or less harmless seclusion of his own home town and under the watchful eye of more intelligent neighbors, an opportunity to travel the highways and leave a trail of vandalism behind. He is the driver who cuts in on the road, who shoots holes in the road signs, and who advertises his imbecility by disfiguring the natural beauty of every spot that he can reach.

Please pardon this outburst of bad humor—but if there are enough of us who get mad enough we may be able to save a little of the beauty of this desert country for future generations to enjoy.

### HANSON TOLD TO DEVELOP WATER

Ole Hanson, noted subdivision promoter of San Clemente and other Southern California projects, was informed by the county board of supervisors at San Bernardino Monday that he must develop water on his proposed Twenty-nine Palms desert city before his map will be accepted. Hanson declared that water throughout the tract can be secured from wells only 15 to 20 feet below the surface. Supervisor A. L. Doran, Barstow, was skeptical and moved that the subdivision not be accepted until water is actually available to every lot on the 160-acre tract.

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### VANDALS DESTROYING OLD INDIAN WRITING

Many remarkable Indian picture writings in the Inyo-Mono region of eastern California are being lost to scientific research through the nefarious work of vandals, the Automobile Club of Southern California has been advised by its Bishop office.

"Pot hunters" and other visitors have cut out and taken away sections of rock bearing rare pictographs from government land in violation of federal law. The area is protected by a withdrawal order issued some years ago by ex-President Hoover at the request of the Eastern California Museum association as part of an outdoor museum project.

The prehistoric writings are valuable only when left in their own environment, it is pointed out. It is believed that some were taken away with the idea of selling to private museums or curio dealers.

Warning signs are being placed on many of the pictograph and petroglyph sites by the museum association. A federal act for the preservation of American antiquities carries the provision that "all persons who shall appropriate, excavate, injure or destroy any historic or prehistoric ruin or monument, or any object of antiquity sit-

A sparrow, in front of Hotel Alta Vista Thursday spent hours in fighting its own image, which it saw reflected in the glass of an automobile. It made many determined attacks to vanquish the "enemy," but finally flew away, "regusted," as Amos and Andy would say.

Relief for property owners who are about to lose their holdings because of inability to pay taxes, either current or delinquent, is a major concern of the 1935 legislature.

For those whose taxes already are delinquent, several rays of hope are extended by bills awaiting consideration during the second-half session.

### OUT OF THE WAY PLACES ON THE DESERT

(Randall Henderson in Calexico Chronicle)

Yesterday I stopped for a visit with the Dean of the Desert Rats—Frank Coffey, who lives in a little cabin at Dos Palmos. Frank has followed the magic lure of hidden gold on this Southwest desert since 1880. He is now 77 years old.

He took me out to a little pool just below one of the springs, and there in the middle of the desert, with only a fringe of tules for shade, are his pets—the most remarkable collection of fish I have ever seen outside of an aquatic museum—40 different varieties of the fish family, Frank told me.

Coffey probably knows more about the Chocoles, the Chuckawallas, the Orocochia mountains and the other ranges that border Imperial valley than any other living human. He came to the desert originally for one of the big companies, and remained to spend his life prospecting the arroyos and hillsides.

Originally there were only two native palms at the springs, but the group now includes a dozen more which were planted by Coffey many years ago. Earthquake disturbances have increased the flow of water at the springs in recent years—and fish from many different places appear to thrive in the little pool.

Not far from Dos Palmos is a canyon which leads up to one of the prettiest groups of native palms on the desert—at Hidden Springs.

They are well named. The springs are located in a secluded spot which can be reached only by way of a trail leading up a narrow winding gorge and through a cavern-like tunnel formed by huge blocks of conglomerate which have fallen from the towering cliffs above. The spot is a miniature Yosemite on the desert—minus the

### DESERT INN GUESTS EXTEND VISIT TO SEE WILDFLOWERS

With the advent of the desert wildflower season, numerous members of the smart colony of guests at the Desert Inn are making an extended residence to enjoy spring on the desert.

Among the colony of socialites at the Desert Inn are Mrs. C. H. Harrington and her little son, Hurd, of Evanston, Illinois. Mrs. Harrington is the daughter of H. B. Hurd, famed Chicago corporation lawyer. Little Hurd Harrington is a pupil at the Desert Inn Open Air School.

Also at the Inn are Mrs. Robert Campbell and Miss Betty Campbell, of Orange, New Jersey.

Philip Wylie, famed author, is a week-end guest, coming from Hollywood, where he is doing motion picture writing. Mrs. Wylie is making her residence at the Inn.

Following the close of the Santa Anita racing season numerous Southern California and Eastern society people of prominence are arriving at the Desert Inn. Mrs. Robert Beebe of Detroit, who is making her home at the Inn, recently went to Santa Anita to see her race horse which has not competed because of a bad foot.

Among the recent arrivals are: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, Jr., St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. Avery Reynolds, Pasadena; Mrs. Rufus B. Smith, Cincinnati and Mrs. J. Russell Hodge, Seattle; Edward Heath Peters, Greenwich, Conn.; William B. Todd, Pittsburgh, Pa., who arrived to join Mrs. Todd and Miss Lucile Todd, who have been at the Inn for some time.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Leo Archer, Panama Pacific Lines; V. H. Owen, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkie, Poughkeepsie, New York; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Frantz, Cleveland; Mrs. Emmett Smith and Miss Anne F. Smith, Beverly Hills; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd C. Douglas, Wellesley Hills, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Earle Martin, Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hurlbut, Evanston, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sherman, Evanston, Illinois; Miss Anna Sten, Santa Monica; Mrs. George H. Becker, South Orange, New Jersey; Mrs. Charles B. Alexander and Mrs. Lounsbury Alexander, New York City.

Also Mrs. Merritt Hulburd and son, Beverly Hills; Mrs. William Peet, Mrs. Margaret Wilson and Miss Grace Wilson, Beverly Hills; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Graves, Sausalito; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hulet, Cleveland; Mrs. A. C. Baeschlin, wife of the Swiss consul, Vancouver, B. C., Canada; Mrs. F. R. Bigelow, St. Paul, Minnesota; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Littell and Jane, Kentworth, Illinois, and others.

Charles Spang of Reading, Pa., and James Pressley of San Francisco, who have been house guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Chapman for the past two weeks, departed for their respective homes last week-end. Mr. Chapman is a prominent local realtor.

"Chuck" Morrison narrowly escaped death Sunday when his car ran into two lamp posts near Ventura. He was traveling south on the coast highway at a speed of but 30 miles per hour when a tire blew out, causing the car to swerve. Mr. Morrison nor any of the other occupants of the car were hurt, but the car was seriously damaged and the lamp posts were demolished.

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ican Legion is always in the front in encouraging better educational advantages in the schools, he said.

"The American Legion is not a military, nor a political organization," said the state commander. "We insist on freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of religion, and we believe in adequate national defense to keep this nation out of another war. Yesterday's soldier, is today's builder, and tomorrow's guardian."

"This is a peaceful organization, but we are not in favor of peace at any price. America must be in position to defend herself. Peace will come through education, and by that means we wish to inculcate in the minds of our people the importance of attending to our own affairs and being prepared to defend ourselves if others ever attempt to infringe upon our rights."

Commander Clossen made a bitter attack upon Communists and communistic activities in America. "We of the American Legion are ready to grasp a gun again to prevent enemies of this country from taking the white and blue out of Old Glory and leave only the red," he said.

Regarding the Legion's program to prevent another war, he called attention to bills introduced in Congress during the past 12 years, demanding conscription of capital and industry on the same basis as men are drafted into service. "Upon declaration of hostilities, prices on all commodities are to be frozen. We made 20,000 millionaires in America during the last war, and we don't propose such a thing shall happen again, at the expense of the American people. One individual netted \$13,000,000 during the war on a million dollars capital. Under the Legion proposal, munitions manufacturers must return to the government 95 per cent of their profits during the war. If we had had such a law in 1917-18, we wouldn't be confronted now with paying the adjusted compensation at face value."

Past State Chaplain John Lechner told the audience that it would cost no more to pay the soldiers' bonus than it would cost to operate the Townsend plan one month.

In a scathing attack upon communism, he stated there are a million active Communist members and active sympathizers in America, more than 30 times as many as Russia had when they took charge of the Russian government.

"If you would know what communism means, all you need to do is to see what their philosophy has done in Russia. Ten million people have been shot. In one section alone six millions were left to starve to death because they could not agree completely with Soviet rule. The aim of Communism is to overthrow all organized government, to foster hatred toward God, and all men who are not ready to submit to them. They stop at nothing to accomplish this end; starvation, torture, and murder are their weapons."

He congratulated Palm Springs upon its new American Legion post, and stated there isn't a community in America that does not need the American Legion."

After the speeches, the local post served refreshments.

**MONTE VISTA COURT IS NEW NAME OF FORMER COBLE COURT, MRS. MILLER, MGR.**  
Mrs. Frieda Miller, who has operated Coble Court during the past 12 or 13 years, has changed the name of the popular bungalow apartment court to "Monte Vista Court," and a new attractive sign has been placed over the arched entrance.

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## Local Man Makes Record as Musician and Aviator

(By the News Hound)

An old scrap book supplied some very interesting information for this article. While on the regular "news beat" I dropped in to see Earl Gray, owner and manager of the Central Hotel, and found his young son, Rolland, looking over an old scrap book.

The book contained page after page of newspaper and magazine pictures and articles of Earl Gray with his orchestra, and Earl Gray with his fleet of seven planes which he used in his flying school in Seattle when aviation was still in its infancy. Among these was the huge German Junker monoplane used by Amundsen in his first attempt to reach the North Pole by air. The plane was purchased from Amundsen by Mr. Gray, only to have it cracked-up a few months later.

I have known for some time that Earl Gray had been an orchestra leader of some prominence in the Northwest, and that he had been a licensed air pilot in the early days, but I had never known how extensive his operations had been. The scrap book and some questions brought out some interesting information.

It seems that Earl has been interested in music ever since he was a small boy, and became an orchestra leader when he was 18. He climbed up the musical ladder, until the name "Earl Gray's Orchestra" was seen in the bright lights of theatres in various parts of the country, as is evidenced by pictures in the scrap book. He traveled over the Pantages circuit for a number of years. From 1922 to 1927 he had two orchestras that were featured in the newspapers of the Northwest, in the Silver Grill of Spokane, and the Butler Cafe in Seattle. One newspaper picture showed Earl Gray and His Orchestra with their small blimp, with this caption: "The only orchestra in the world using a Zeppelin for aerial advertising."

His orchestra held a long contract with Hotel Vancouver, and he played for Canadian Pacific resorts. Later, as manager of Clyde Lucas and his California Dons, of Hollywood, Mr. Gray and his orchestra played the music for such well known pictures as "Grand Hotel", "Road to Singapore", "Blondie of the Follies," and others.

Earl Gray is an accomplished violinist, but he also plays the saxophone and guitar. Musicians who have since become prominent leaders started under his direction. Among these is Fred MacMurray, who was in Mr. Gray's orchestra at Warner Brothers and KFWB. MacMurray now plays a leading role with Claudette Colbert in "The Gilded Lily." He also appeared with May Robson in "Grand Old Lady." Frank Houser of El Mirador Orchestra was once a member of Gray's orchestra in Los Angeles.

Earl Gray had two hobbies, and he worked at both at the same time. He loves aviation as well as music. He holds pilot license No. 1, the first to be issued by the state of Oregon, five years before the Federal Government issued licenses. The scrap book referred to contains Earl Gray's Transport License issued in Mexico while he was flying the airmail for Northwest's Latin American Airways. This was the 40th pilot license issued by the government of Mexico, and carries the number 40.

For about five years he conducted his flying school in Seattle and directed his orchestra. He usually arrived at the flying field at 8 in the morning, and gave his attention to the aviation students until five in the evening. His orchestra took his time from 6:30 until midnight. It was while he operated the airport that he purchased Amundsen's airship, and added it to the six Jennies he used for student instruction. It was also during that time, in the year 1925-26, that the first round the world flyers, under command of Captain Harding and Lieutenant Commander Lowell Smith of the U. S. Army, took-off and landed on their return at Sandpoint, Seattle. Earl Gray was among those who bid bon voyage to the flyers, and welcomed them in his huge Junkers plane when they returned.

Mr. Gray became well acquainted with the army pilots who flew around the world, and in discussing the matter this week, he called attention to the difficulties they encountered, compared to those encountered by Wiley Post, who flew around the world in about a week. In that flight of 1926, the motors of each plane had to be

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changed seven times for the flight, and three times landing gears had to be changed to pontoons. Post arrived home with the same motor and landing gear with which he started. Hank Ogden, designer and builder of the Ogden Offspring, who made the regular airline run between Los Angeles and Palm Springs for several years, was a member of that first around the world expedition.

The last flying done by Earl Gray was for the Midwest Airline, a subsidiary of the Western Air Express. He made the regular run between Denver and El Paso. During all of his years as a flyer, he crashed only five times, and didn't have an accident from which he couldn't walk away. He injured only one passenger, and that was during a barnstorming tour. A boy was slightly injured in a crack-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray have two children, Rolland, age 14, and Marilyn, age 4. Young Rolland is "a chip off

the old block," and is extremely interested in aviation. That's how he happened to be studying the scrap book of aviation episodes in which his father had figured.

Wesley Gray, who operated an airport here for a number of years, was Earl Gray's mechanic during most of the latter's aviation days. Wesley became an expert flyer, and has thrilled thousands with his aerial stunts.

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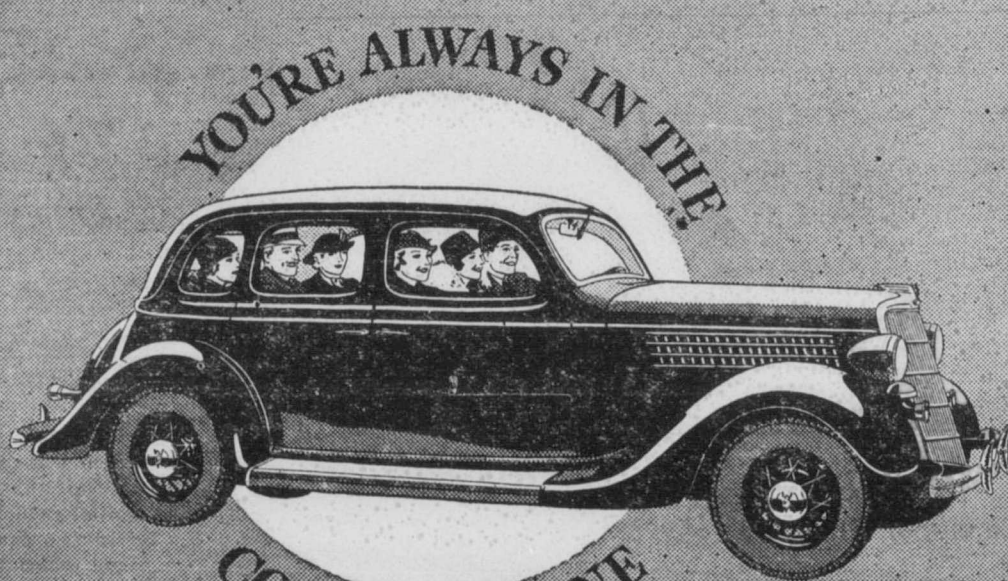
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## STATE MOVES TO IMPROVE SECTION OF HIGHWAY 99

The Department of Public Works, State of California, announces that it will receive bids up to March 18 for the building of a reinforced girder bridge over San Geronimo Wash, approximately three miles east of Banning.

Plans may be seen at the office of E. Q. Sullivan, district engineer for the California Highway Commission at San Bernardino.

The proposed improvement is a unit in the greater program to improve Highway 99 between Beaumont and Cabazon.

### MOUNTAIN WATER COMPANY FORMED

To supply domestic water to the Pine Cove subdivision in the San Jacinto mountains near Idyllwild, articles of incorporation for the Pine Cove Mutual Water company have been filed in the Riverside county clerk's office. The organization of the company has been contemplated for some time, with Robert Appleton and H. D. Marchant as the principal instigators of the idea.

The company is capitalized for \$10,000 and has been authorized to issue 1000 shares of stock at a par value of \$10 per share. Nine directors, six residents of the mountain community and three from Los Angeles county, are named in the articles. Shares of stock can only be issued to persons owning land in the subdivision, the incorporation papers provide.

The nine directors are Robert Appleton, H. D. Marchant, Glenn V. Plumley, Paul Ignatius, T. L. Vogelaar and Eugene Ross, of Idyllwild; Fred Kelsey and Lewis W. Andrews, Jr., of Los Angeles and A. M. Taube of El Monte.

## LATEST INFORMATION ON IDYLLWILD ROAD

Rights-of-way are secured for the Banning-Idyllwild road, state Supervisor Robert E. Dillon and Clem Sweeters. The lower end of the rights-of-way just out of Banning and at the edge of the city have been secured. The way through the Indian reservation has been amicably secured and and Indians paid \$1,000.

Condemnation has been necessary in two instances in the mountains and Deputy French of the district attorney's office is now handling these. "There is every prospect now," said Supervisor Dillon, "that the Government will build a large part of the highway, that running through the Government land, in which case it might be better to select a camp site closer to Banning than that now under lease."

### DONATES \$25.00 TOWARD DESERT CIRCUS FUND

Another donation of \$25.00 toward the Desert Circus, and incidentally for the Community Church fund, was reported this week. The donation came through Jarvis Earl from Mr. Charles E. McGinley, guest at the El Mirador Hotel.

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### SUPERVISORS ASK FOR FIVE MILLIONS OF FEDERAL FUNDS

In order to carry out a gigantic program of public improvements in Riverside county, the county supervisors ask the federal government to provide five million dollars.

Making up the list are projects for building a million dollar crest road along the Santa Ana mountain range, construction of a wing at the county hospital, building of the Banning-Idyllwild highway, installing sewers at Palm Springs, Coachella and San Jacinto, building numerous roads and bridges, creating park areas in various parts of the county, improving public camp grounds in the San Jacinto mountains, establishing an airport in the San Jacinto mountains, clearing the channel of the Santa Ana river, providing conservation measures for the San Jacinto river and numerous other similar works.

Only a skeletonized report on each proposed project was submitted in the report which was forwarded by County Engineer A. C. Fulmer to A. D. Wilder, state P.W.A. engineer, at Los Angeles, who was to send the county projects to Washington with others from throughout the Southern California area.

The list is needed in Washington for laying initial plans for the Public Works program. The funds are to be available under the administration's appropriations bill, now being debated by congress.

The 57 projects follow:

Palm Springs sewer system and disposal plant, \$164,000; Coachella sewer system and disposal plant, \$92,000; San Jacinto sewer system and disposal plant, \$100,000; Santa Ana river, clearing channel, \$65,000; county hospital building, \$320,644; Ripley school, \$36,000; Lamb Canyon road, \$65,000; Cajalco roads, \$170,000; Banning-Idyllwild highway, \$660,000; Martin Street improvement, \$39,000; Limonite avenue extension, \$53,000; Highgrove storm drains, \$14,000; Banning storm water drain, \$36,000; Palo Verde valley roads and bridges, \$150,000; San Jacinto river, water conservation, \$181,000; Dickey canyon, water conservation, \$22,000; Temescal water conservation, \$17,500; bridges over San Jacinto drainage canal \$50,000; Idyllwild public camp, water development, \$4500; Herkey creek public camp, \$12,000; Bautista canyon water conservation, \$115,000; Chino creek storm drain, \$12,000; San Timoteo canyon erosion control, \$52,000; International park improvement \$4200; Menifee roads, \$36,000; Moreno roads and storm drains, \$39,000; Palo Verde valley park, \$12,500; Salton sea park, \$12,000; West Riverside park and auditorium, \$16,000; planting and care of shade trees, \$15,000; bridge on Winchester-Temecula road, \$5000; Murrieta storm water channel, \$68,000; Norco storm water drains, \$59,000; Frost lake park, \$7000; Calimesa storm drains and roads, \$21,000; Mecca storm drain and roads, \$34,000; Coachella valley roads, \$50,000; West Riverside roads, \$40,000; Banning-Beaumont roads, \$35,000; San Jacinto valley roads, \$35,000; Elsinore roads, \$21,000; Norco and La Sierra roads, \$18,000; Woodcrest roads, \$10,000; Idyllwild roads, \$14,000; De Luz and Santa Rosa roads, \$36,000; Bautista canyon road, \$255,000; scenic drive on crest of Santa Ana mountains, \$1,220,000; Reche canyon road, \$36,000; valley center storm drain, \$40,000; Anza-Pines to Palms road, \$190,000; Bergman township roads, \$16,000; Mockingbird canyon road, \$110,000; Berdoo canyon road, \$92,000; airport, San Jacinto mountains, \$150,000; Palm Springs park, \$20,000; Palm canyon flood control, \$34,000; Tahquitz creek flood control, \$31,000; Tachevah storm drain \$5000, and county-wide rodent control plan.

### "FLOOR OF PACIFIC OCEAN" ON DISPLAY AT EXPOSITION

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It will be necessary to elect 2 trustees at large for three years. The polls will be open between the hours of 2 o'clock P. M. and 6 o'clock P. M.

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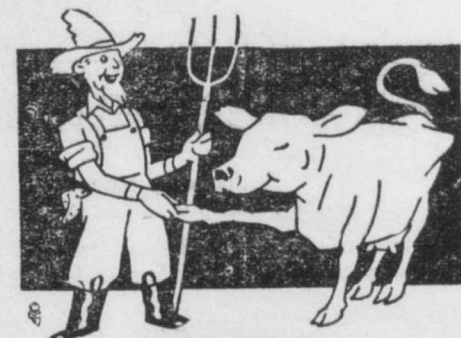
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#### GUESTS AT GOFF HOTEL

Among the interesting people from distant places who have registered at the Goff Hotel recently are the following: Mrs. A. Monro, Vancouver, B. C.; Lieut. Col. and Mrs. F. T. Oldham, British Columbia; Mrs. F. A. Burg and daughter, Portland, Oregon; Mrs. M. Mitchell, Philadelphia; Miss Mary B. Mitchell, Pasadena; Miss Mary M. Mitchell, Niagara Falls, Ontario; Mrs. H. J. Zimmerman, Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Caroline Shanks, Catskill, N. Y.; Mrs. Thos. Bryan, Hartford, Conn.; and Mrs. Ergan and Mrs. Olson, Omaha, Nebraska.

Also Mrs. Edmond Buckley, New London, Conn.; Carston Tudeman, Detroit, Mich.; Jack Harding, Spokane, Washington; P. J. McGough, Flagstaff, Arizona; M. Kelsey, Zuni, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Gunnels, Long Beach. The latter is an aunt of Miss Paula Kay Hallman.

#### CHAMPION WILL GIVE

COMEDY DIVING EXHIBITION  
AT EL MIRADOR SUNDAY

Stan Kistler, former junior national ten-foot spring board champion, put on a comedy diving exhibition, assisted by Dutch Smith, at El Mirador pool at 3:00 p. m. next Sunday. This amusing team have planned a number of original stunts for the entertainment of guests attending.

## NOTABLE VISITORS ARRIVE AT PALM SPRINGS AIRPORT

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made frequent trips here by plane. Among them are:

Bob Perlick of the Petroleum Securities Company of Los Angeles, flying a Stinson;

W. Bateman and three passengers, flying Wallace Beery's Bellanca;

Harry Payne Bingham with three others, all of San Diego, in his Stinson;

Robert Porter of the Kinner Aircraft Co., in his Kinner plane;

Swede Parker, cattle ranch owner of Tucson, who came in to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brooks. While here he flew his plane to Los Angeles, and came back with a fine new J-5 Steerman, which he has converted into a sort of delivery wagon to carry supplies to his Tucson ranch.

Charles LaJotte of Los Angeles brought officials of the Gilmore Oil Company in Earl Gilmore's Bellanca, including five people besides himself.

E. T. Foley, head of a construction company of the same name, arrived in his Stinson, piloted by Roger Rudd.

Bill Ressler, of Ressler Bros. Contracting Company, of Emeryville, Cal., arrived with three passengers.

Captain Flemming dropped in for lunch while flying through in his Kinner, from Oklahoma City to Los Angeles.

Mrs. Morris of Los Angeles, flying her own Waco Cabin plane, landed here while on her way home from Tucson. She had three friends with her.

Douglas Jones of Alhambra came in early this week in his new Porterfield Flyabout, known as "the poor man's airplane." The plane sells for \$1695, and flies on 4½ gallons of gasoline an hour, or about 22 miles per gallon.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Schley II of Santa Barbara, flying to Phoenix in their Stinson, stopped here Monday evening.

Wilbur May in his Northrup and Al Lary in a Spartan were among the Sunday visitors.

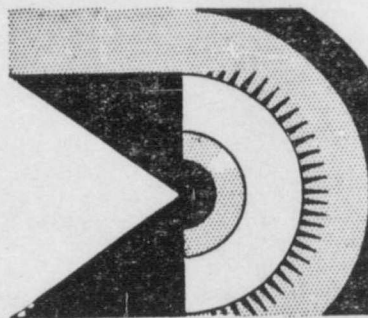
R. V. Lees, Department of Commerce official, stationed at Los Angeles, dropped in Monday on business flying his Waco.

Bob Blair of Los Angeles, also flying a Waco, landed here Monday on business.

Three navy "Helldivers" from the Long Beach reserve base also were visitors on Monday.

George Fuller of San Francisco, head of the Fuller Paint Corporation, arrived at the airport Tuesday in a new Vultee transport plane. The Vultee holds the transcontinental transport speed record. Mr. Fuller and party are sojourning at El Mirador Hotel.

Thirty-six army planes, on their return from Texas to their home fields at March Field and San Diego, dipped their wings, which means "hello" in aviation language, last Sunday as they flew over the Palm Springs Airport. The planes comprised the 73rd, 34th, and 95th pursuit squadrons. All three groups had been on the local field during maneuvers either this season, or last year.



#### BY OUR FUTURISTIC ARTIST

The above sketch was made by The Desert Sun's artist, who has a futuristic trend. What is it? We don't know — and neither does he. However, we'll be glad to let any advertiser use it, if he can tell us what it is supposed to represent.

## SUN SPOTS

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from spending 5 per cent more in one year than the year previous, unless the expenditure is authorized by at least two-thirds of those voting on the proposition. Unless the voters give their approval, the commissioners will be penalized for their thrift, and the community will lose.

The commissioners and the fire department have earned and saved during the past few years about \$4,000 for the purchase of a site and construction of a fire hall. At first glance this does not sound very important, but a little sober thought will convince any resident that the matter is more than just slight importance.

Why a fire hall in Palm Springs? There are a number of good reasons. Most important of all, in the opinion of this writer, after talking the matter over with men who are well posted, a group of at least two or three trained firemen should be with the fire fighting equipment at night and during the long dry summer, when a few minutes lost in reaching a fire may mean not only the destruction of valuable property, but the loss of life. Palm Springs has inflammable buildings and a fire can sweep through such structures very rapidly. We had a terrible example of this within 18 miles of this village about a month ago when a dormitory at the Cabazon aqueduct camp burned at 9 o'clock in the evening and six men were cremated.

We have a splendid volunteer fire department. The men are all well trained, and they have made a splendid record. They have earned some of the money on hand with the school dances. The fire truck is one of the best to be found in a community of this size, and the other equipment is of the same high standard. The water company has co-operated by running 10-inch water mains through town, thus supplying adequate pressure and supply to cope with any conflagration. But all of this is useless until the fire-fighters reach the fire—and that is where a fire house, with a dormitory above for the men at night, is important. Then they can reach a fire at night more quickly.

Volunteer firemen who serve a community simply as a matter of loyalty to the home town, are entitled to more consideration than they usually get. They should have their club room in addition to sleeping quarters. All of which will tend to keep them together more in the fire hall.

This matter of providing a fire hall may prove profitable, as well as humanitarian. It may help to reduce insurance rates. During the past few years the fire commissioners, with the cooperation of the water company, have saved the taxpayers several thousand dollars on their three-year premiums. Because of the addition of certain apparatus to the fire equipment, the installation of the 10-inch water mains, and fire hydrants, the board of fire underwriters has seen fit to take Palm Springs out of the 10th class, and place it in the eighth, with a consequent reduction in rates. We're not promising that the fire hall will bring this community in the seventh rate class, but it will help, and with a few other minor required improvements, this can be accomplished.

Chairman Warren Pinney of the Airport Committee has reported to the Chamber of Commerce directors that it will probably cost \$4,000 to move the airport to the proposed new location, to put it in the same condition as the present landing field, after which \$5,000 SERRA funds appropriated for the present airport can be transferred to improving the new field.

## WHO'S WHO Among the Guests

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Timken of Canton, Ohio. Mr. Timken is president of the Timken Roller Bearing company.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Miller of Chicago. Mr. Miller is a member of the firm Miller, Gorham, Wales and Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor of Burbank. Mr. Taylor is head of the meteorological department of the Western Air Express.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hull. Mr. Hull is a noted New York dramatic actor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lakin Baldrige of the Park Lane Hotel, New York City.

W. G. Van Schmus, director of the theatrical department of Radio City Music Hall, Rockefeller Center, N. Y.

The Hon. Mrs. M. M. B. Cecil of London, England. Mrs. Cecil is a noted lecturer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Howard of San Francisco, who have recently returned from an interesting trip to East Africa, Nairobi, and Kenya.

Nathan Miller, former governor of the state of New York, and Mrs. Miller.

Philip Wylie, famed author, and Mrs. Wylie.

The meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce scheduled for this Tuesday was postponed. The regular meeting of that body will be held about March 15 although no definite date has been set by W. J. Martin, president of the organization.

Mrs. Luella Allen of Cathedral City is in a hospital in Riverside, suffering from a severe case of blood poisoning. She is reported in a critical condition.

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DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in

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